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SUBJ: GUATEMALA SEEKS TO BEEF UP DIPLOMATIC SUPPORT ON BELIZE
QUESTION

1. SUMMARY: RECENT DAYS HAVE SEEN HIGH LEVEL OF GOG ACTIVITY
TO STRENGTHEN DIPLOMATIC BACKING IN LATIN AMERICA ON BELIZE
ISSUE. END SUMMARY

2. FOLLOWING EARLIER VISITS BY HONDURAN AND NICARAGUAN MILITARY
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LEADERS, GUATEMALANS CONVOKED CENTRAL AMERICAN DEFENSE COUNCIL
(CONDECA) MEETING ON JULY 20. MINISTERS OF DEFENSE OF HONDURAS,
EL SALVADOR, NICARAGUA AND COSTA RICA WERE REPORTEDLY BRIEFED
FOR OVER FIVE HOURS. WITH PRESS AFTERWARDS, THE FIRST THREE
REITERATED GENERALIZED "SUPPORT" FOR GUATEMALA. PRESSED
FOR SPECIFICS, ALL FOUR SAID THEY WOULD HAVE TO MAKE
REPORTS TO THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS. PRENSA

LIBRE INDICATES THAT A CENTRAL AMERICAN SUMMIT CONFERENCE IS IN THE WORKS, PERHAPS FOR AUGUST, TO BE PRECEDED BY A MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WOULD BE TO FORGE A COMMON POSITION ON BELIZE.

3. MEANWHILE, GUATEMALAN DELEGATION LED BY VICE PRESIDENT MARIO SANDOVAL, ACCOMPANIED BY GENERAL ANIBAL GUEVARA AND VICE FONMIN ALFREDO OBIOLS LEFT JULY 18 FOR CHILE, ARGENTINA, PARAGUAY, URUGUAY AND BRAZIL TO CARRY THE GUATEMALAN CASE. (IN LAST YEAR'S UNGA CALL FOR BELIZEAN INDEPENDENCE, CHILE, PARAGUAY AND URUGUAY SIDED WITH GUATEMALA; ARGENTIAN AND BRIZIL ABSTAINED.)

4. PERIOD HAS ALSO WITNESSED VISIT BY COLOMBIAN SENATOR DIEGO URIBE VARGAS WHO, IN COURSE OF SVERAL PUBLIC APPEARANCES ACCOMPANIED BY COLOMBIAN AMBASSADOR, SAID COLOMBIA FULLY SUPPORTS GUATEMALAN LEGAL POSITION. (WE NOTE THAT COLOMBIA NERELY ABSTAINED DURING VOTE ON 1976 UNGA RESOLUTION ON BELIZE.)
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